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19 July 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Sheldon (part of meeting), Mr. Kent, [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

✓ a. Noted there are several follow-up actions to be taken as a result of the hearing before the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee, and asked that John Warner and Howard Stoertz compare transcripts with the briefing notes. The Director also stated that he desired a procedure be worked up in order that the appropriate committees of Congress will be informed when evidence is received that the Soviets have acquired new weaponry. Mr. Amory undertook to look into this matter and the Director commented it might be necessary to coordinate with the Secretary of Defense whatever procedure is worked out, and also to obtain approval from the President. The Director also referred to the discussion at the hearing about the three Soviet fighter aircraft and asked Mr. Amory to determine if information on these aircraft had been reported to the CIA committees of the Congress and, if so, what committees.

b. Referred to a proposed draft statement to the field regarding relations with ambassadors, and stated on balance he had decided to hold up any further action until such time as the whole problem of State/CIA relations is discussed *with the Dept.*

c. Referred to several reports in the press that CIA had insisted that Manuel Ray resign, and stated since there is not one iota of truth in this, he would like those responsible to be so advised. After some discussion it was agreed that Mr. Helms would get in touch with Wally Carroll of the New York Times since the Times had the most recent report.

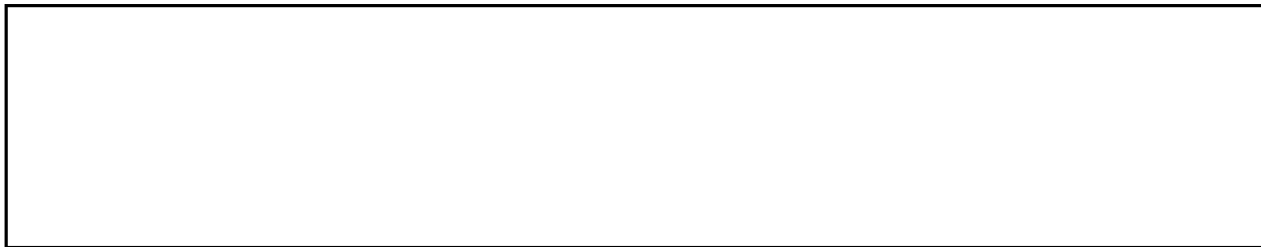
d. Stated that we should without further delay initiate discussions

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GENERAL CABELL:

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MR. KENT:

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Reported that [] had suggested it might be useful if he could go to Europe for about three weeks to discuss the Berlin situation with his NATO friends. In response to a query from the Director, Mr. Kent stated that [] ostensibly would be on a holiday and not on an assigned mission for the purpose of holding any discussions. It was agreed that in view of the numerous conferences being held on this subject and in particular the forthcoming Foreign Ministers' Conference, that [] should not make this trip until after the Foreign Ministers' Conference. General Cabell suggested that if and when he does go, State Department should be advised of the true purpose of the trip.

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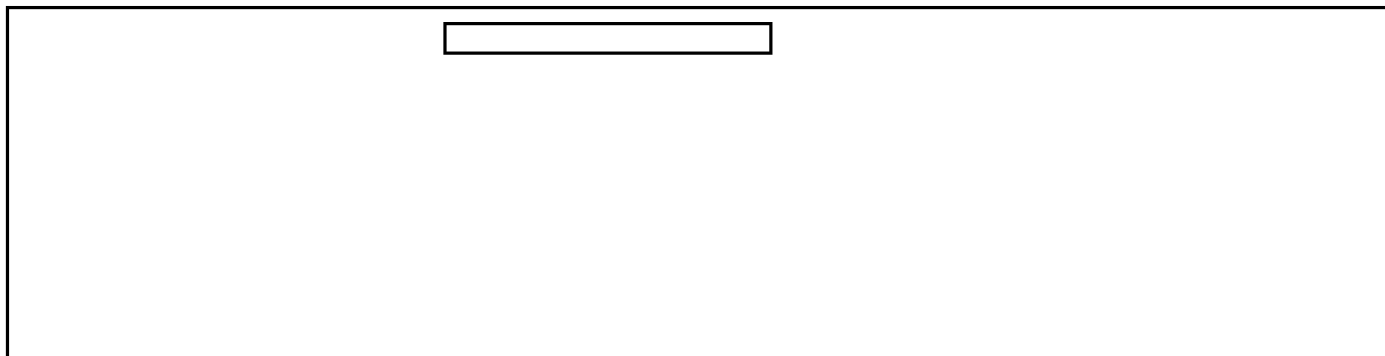
MR. KIRKPATRICK:

Reported that the Kilday Committee had asked for an up-to-date intelligence briefing from the Director on Wednesday, 26 July. The Director said he would do this. Action: IG

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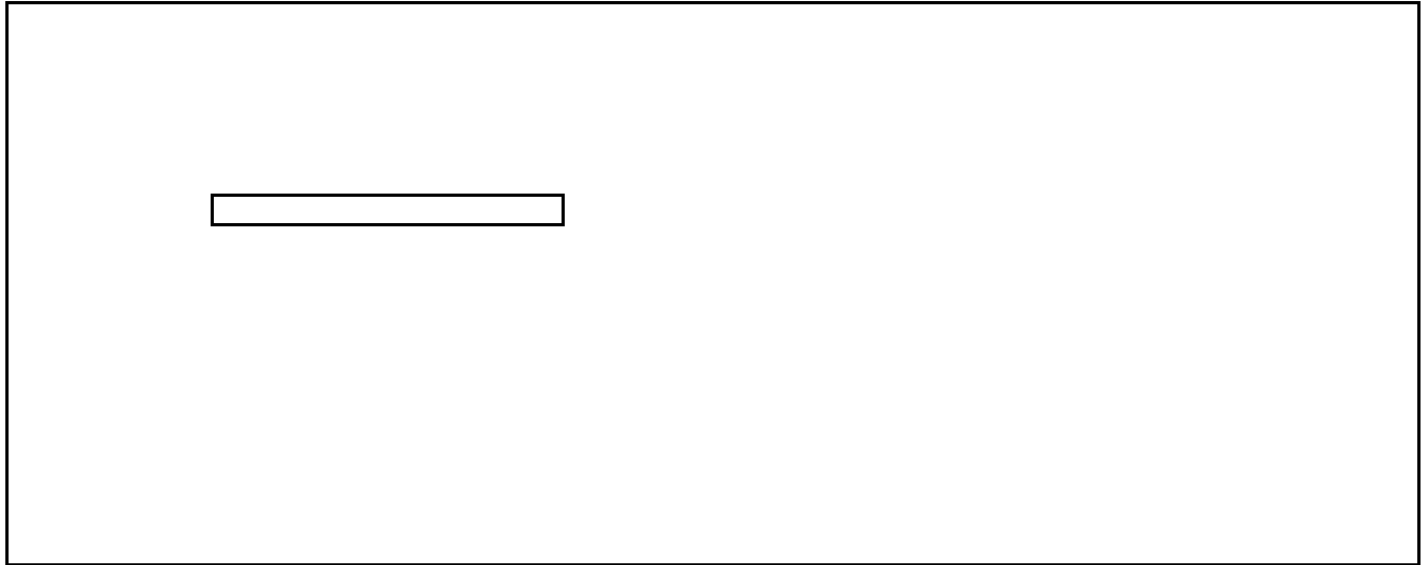
COLONEL WHITE:

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In connection with State/CIA relations, the Director noted that in his opinion it was a mistake for [] to have seen the President before Ambassador [] had an opportunity to do so. He said that while he realized that the Agency had nothing to do with arranging []'s appointment, we do have control over our people and we should have suggested that the ambassador be present.

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